gentlemen and others of good possessions and ability of Inmg in the country, and being free of the City, do continue their habitation in London By this abuse raanjr whose habitations should be abroad, divers of them being Justices oi the Peace, neglect and avoid the performance of any service to her Majesty and their country They shift themselves from the burden of such taxes and impositions as are due upon anv occasion of public service, pretending while they are in the City they are charged in the country, and endeavouring to tree themselves in both places They increase the dearth and scarcity of all things in the City by overcharging it with multi- tude and leave their poor neighbours in the country unchenshed with any land of hospitality

*zotb July* MORE SOLDIERS FOR OSTEND

For the relief of Ostend are now required 800 soldiers from the City and suburbs to be ready to be embarked four days hence, which shall be levied of those idle persons that hve by shifting and bad means [9] the charges whereof are not to be borne by the City, but by certain of the counties, at the rate of £3 i os a man

*-zist July* SOLDIERS FROM THE COUNTIES

In addition to the 800 men from the City, there are speedily required from the counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex and Kent the number of 1,200 men for Ostend

*uly ^* 5,000 MEN FOR MITNSTER

By reason of the news that the Spaniards will succour the rebels in Monster, 5,000 men are required from the counties to be embarked early next month

25 *£ *July* NEWS FROM OSTEND

There hath been hot fighting about Ostend this sennight past On the I5th of July Sir Francis Vere again issued out of

the town with 1,500 and began to entrench between the forts Isabella and Groostendorst on a high ground which in times past was an old churchyard, and is a very fit and apt place to separate these two forts from each other's help To this place of burial the enemy came on the next day with 3,000 men, and after he had been thnce repulsed and put to the worst, took the